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The Appeal Brief filed on 22 January 2008 is still defective for a reason set forth in the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief of 19 December 2007. In the Notice, Appellant was informed that the brief does not contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims (See box 4 of Notice). In response to the Appellant submitted the Appeal Brief of 22 January 2008, which still does not present a concise explanation of the subject matter in the form required. Specifically, Appellant does not cite the specification by page and line number as required (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(b)), and provides no explanation of the limitations regarding "selectable" or "variable" numbers of support members. Therefore, the Appeal Brief of 22 January 2008 is defective.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief of 19 December 2007 set forth a one month time period for reply. That time period remains. Extensions of time are available (37 CFR 41.37(d)).

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